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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application of: Mikko HANNINEN et al.
Serial No.: 09/937,970
Filed: October 1, 2001
For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR SECURING
HORIZONTALLY LOADED CARGO UNITS TO
A VESSEL

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT WITH TRAVERSE
AND AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS**

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

March 28, 2003

Sir:

Applicants, in response to the Election of Species Requirement set forth in the Office Action dated January 29, 2003, respectfully request that the following amendments to the claims and remarks be entered and considered.

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